

February 8, 2005

Pamela B. Katz, Chairperson
Connecticut Siting Council
Ten Franklin Square
New Britain, CT 06051

Re: ***Docket 272, the Application of The CT Light and Power Company and The United Illuminating Company***

***Responses of the City of Meriden to the CT Siting Council's
Pre-hearing Questions to the City of Meriden***

Dear Chairperson Katz:

This letter provides the responses to the requests for information that was received in this office on February 4, 2005.

1. Map—Forthcoming.
2. Brief History and planned mitigation of water issues in the Black Pond Junction Area.
 - A. The City of Meriden is shaped like a bowl and has faced numerous problems relating to flooding over the years. The Meriden Flood Control Implementation Agency, a municipal agency, is charged with considering any available option to alleviate the flooding in Meriden and to look into and make recommendations regarding flood control measures.

Black Pond is located at the eastern edge of the Harbor Brook basin. Black Pond has a water surface elevation of approximately 381 feet NGVD (USGS1992) and a surface area of approximately 75.6 acres. Black Pond receives surface water runoff from 1.18 square miles of watershed. Outflow from Black pond occurs via a spillway and feeds Spoon Shop Brook.

Black Pond is part of the Flood study for the purpose of routing a storm through the reservoir.

3. Q. Would the Town of Middlefield be required to review and approve the planned flood control plan being contemplated by the City of Meriden?

- A. It depends on the nature of the flood control plan, but there would certainly be involvement by the Town of Middlefield regarding any work performed in that municipality.
4. Q. Does CL&P have fee owned or property easement rights in the proposed location of flood control?
- A. It is too early in the proceedings to notify any property owner.
- Q. If so, has the City of Meriden informed CL&P of its proposed flood control plan?
- A. It is too early in the planning stages to notify the property owners.
- Q. If yes, please provide a copy of the correspondence. N/A

Meriden staff has been requested to expedite this matter, given the time constraints facing the Siting Council.

Very truly yours,

/S/
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CERTIFICATION

This is to certify that a copy of the foregoing was sent via email and by US mail, postage prepaid, on the 8th day of February, 2005 to all parties and intervenors of record.

/S/
Deborah L. Moore
Commissioner of Superior Court